

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 10-17 and 20-40 were pending in the above-identified application.

In the FINAL office action of June 10, 2003, claims 17, 20-23 and 26-32 were rejected, claims 4 and 24-25 were objected. Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-16 and 33-40 were allowed.

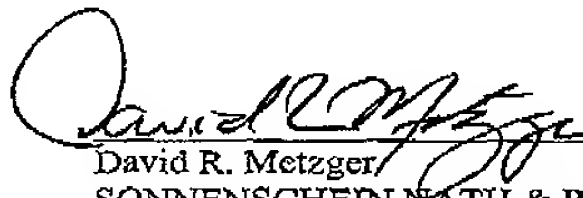
In response, claims 4, 17, 20-32 have been canceled.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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